

Remarks

Claims 1, 3-13, 17 and 19-42 are pending in the application. Claims 17 and 19-29 are allowed. Claims 1, 3-13, 30-32 and 40-42 are rejected. Claims 1-16, 18, and 30-42 are cancelled. The rejections and objections are respectfully traversed.

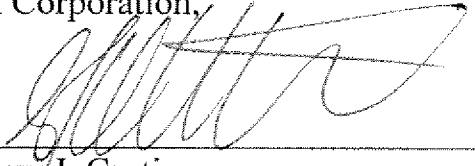
The Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 17 and 19-29.

Claims 1-16, 18 and 30-42 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

It is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. Should further questions arise concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicant's attorney at the number listed below. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper to Deposit Account 50-3650.

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